If the information is accessible and ready to hand, it is the duty of every Government department to furnish that information. But surely, the honourable Member will be the first to perceive that no Government servant and no Secretary is entitled to invent information for the purpose of satisfying the honourable Members opposite. If he has got the information, he will readily give it. If he has not, he will necessarily require some time. The obvious remedy in such cases will be this. In this House, very curiously, that method is not resorted to. Just after leaving this Chamber, every honourable Member has the right to approach the Chief Secretary or the Secretary and inform him of the proposed question, or write to him direct that such and such a question will be asked with in two or three days. If the information supplied by him is found satisfactory, then the matter rests there. If the information is inadequate then a short notice question can be put and answer elicited from the Government benches. That is the practice adopted in other Legislatures. But you cannot surely make the Government officers evolve answers which are not relevant and up to date.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Now, may I know whether the Ezhava found in the answer is now in the Secretariat?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Yes Sir.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether Government consider that Ezhavas should be given their proper share in Secretariat?

PRESIDENT: That is a matter on which Governmental policy have already been enunciated.

Armed Reserve Police, newly recruited in 1114.

28. ✱**MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement containing particulars on the following points in regard to the Armed Reserve Police, newly recruited in 1114 :—

(*a*) the number of Travancoreans recruited;

(*b*) the number of non-Travancoreans in that force;

(*c*) whether there is any difference in pay in the case of these two sets of recruitments;

(*d*) if so, the pay of the Travancorean and that of the foreign recruit;

KHAN BHAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY (*Inspector General of Police*): (*a*) 422

(*b*) 1

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise.

Constables appointed by the Inspector General of Police.

29. ✱**MR. K. R. NARAYANAN** (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): In regard to the appointments made by the present Inspector-General of Police, since his assumption of charge of the Department, will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste:

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